

Tour of England & Scotland: Celtic Pilgrimage to Sacred Places

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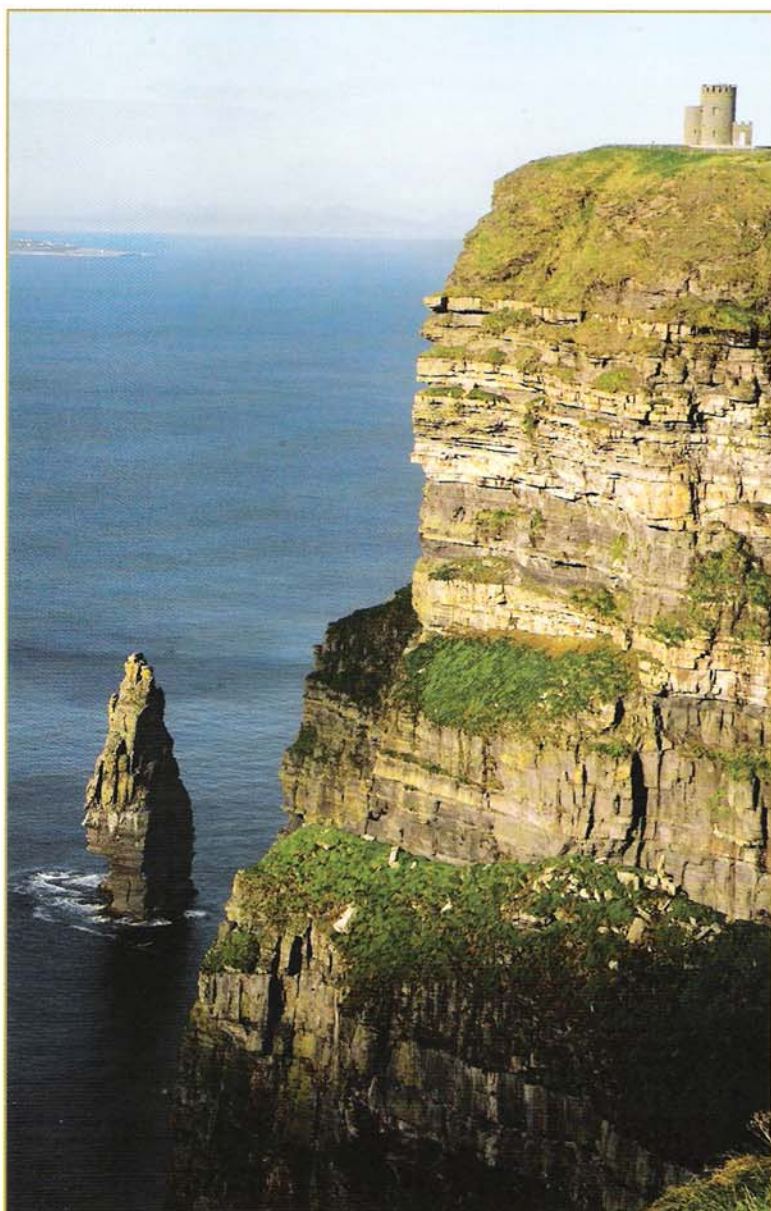
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Grand Rapids, Michigan

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Sr. Diane Zerfas

Dear Friends,

Are you ready to experience England and Scotland in a way that is not your typical tour? We invite you to join us on this specially designed adventure. Throughout our travels our attention will be given to both English mysticism and Celtic spirituality as a way to weave together the past, present and future.

Step with us into the world of the 14th and 15th centuries and the flowering of English mysticism of Walter Hilton, Richard Rolle, and the anonymous classic "The Cloud of Unknowing". Visit the sacred spaces in and around London, Cambridge, Durham and York. Imagine as well your first sight of Big Ben and Buckingham Place and the changing of the guard...a grand mix of culture and history and spirituality. Spend time at Norwich discovering the life and times of Julian, anchoress and great spiritual teacher. Arrive at Lindisfarne and the world of Bede and Cuthbert, prior of Lindisfarne in the 7th century. This place became the center of Celtic Christian life in Northumbria for many years.

Travel on to Edinburgh and enjoy a day of exploring this land steeped in Scottish history. Journey on to Oban and cross the Isle of Mull. Finally, some days of quiet and personal retreat on St. Columba's Celtic Isle of Iona; pray with the Abby ecumenical community, wander the stark terrain of this small island in the inner Hebrides before a return flight out of Glasgow. Even though we visit historic, cultural, and sacred destinations we will also be in what the Celts called a "thin place," a place where there is little distance between past, present and future, and little space between heaven and earth. This is especially true of the Isle of Iona, known today as a "spiritual hot spot" and the focus of extraordinary spiritual activity.

This pilgrimage offers the experience of contemplative prayer and reflection within a spirit of community, learning & discovery – truly an experience of participants as pilgrims on a journey. Our tour will also highlight cathedrals, castles, pageantry, drama, good food and fellowship, and even the English language (though somewhat different from our own). What more could you ask? We hope you want to be a part of this venture into history. This varied focus makes for a balanced and full experience of being seekers and not simply tourists.

Make your reservation today to come along with us. Because of its particular focus, we expect this trip to fill up quickly. So we encourage you to book early. Join our group on this inspiring adventure. We hope to see you soon.

Blessings, Srs. Nancy & Diane.

TOUR FEATURES

- Round trip airfare from Chicago.
- Accommodations at select hotels.
- Most meals.
- Services of a professional driver/guide.
- Comprehensive sightseeing throughout.
- All hotel service charges, local taxes, portage and entrance fees.
- \$100,000 Automatic Flight Insurance.*

*Subject to policy terms and limitations.

YOUR DAY-TO-DAY ITINERARY

SUN, OCT 21 – CHICAGO/ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Depart Chicago today on board your overnight transatlantic jet flight.

MON, OCT 22 – ARRIVE LONDON

Arrive London. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

TUE, OCT 23 – LONDON/CAMBRIDGE

Your morning tour of London's West End takes you first to Trafalgar Square, dominated by Nelson's Column. Proceed along the Thames Embankment past Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey, burial place of many of England's most famous men and women. Continue up Whitehall and the Mall to Buckingham Palace for the Changing of the guard. The return journey is through London's Royal Parks.

This afternoon drive to Cambridge to visit its historic University and Colleges. Visit the magnificent King's College and Chapel and Trinity College's Wren-designed library. Then walk along "The Backs" (grassy slopes behind the colleges) along the River Cam for some wonderful views of the medieval buildings. Famous alumni of Cambridge include Wordsworth, Newton, Tennyson, Darwin and Prince Charles. (B,D)

WED, OCT 24 – CAMBRIDGE/NORWICH/YORK

This morning depart for Norwich, home of one of the most important English mystics, Julian of Norwich. In 1372, at the age of 30, suffering from a severe illness and believing she was on her deathbed, Julian had a series of intense visions of Jesus Christ. These visions are the source of her major work called *Sixteen Revelations of Divine Love*. Visit St. Julian's Church and Shrine. Then continue north to the ancient city of York. (B,D)

THU, OCT 25 – YORK/DURHAM/ NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE

This morning enjoy a tour of this storybook town of cobbled streets and curious shops. Visit York Minster with its stained glass windows and stroll along the Shambles, the narrow zig-zag of shopping streets that have survived since the Middle Ages. Continue to Durham to visit the 11th century Durham

Cathedral, regarded as one of the finest examples of Norman architecture. It houses the shrine of St. Cuthbert of Lindisfarne, the North's best-loved saint. After your visit, drive to the Newcastle Upon Tyne area for overnight. (B)

FRI, OCT 26 – NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE/ LINDISFARNE/EDINBURGH

This morning drive to Lindisfarne, known as the Holy Island. In 635 AD, St. Aidan came from Iona to introduce Christianity into northeast England and founded his monastery on Lindisfarne. Since then it has become a center of pilgrimage. This morning visit the Priory and Castle. Cross the border into Scotland. Drive through the history-steeped Lowland Hills to Edinburgh, the capital of Scotland. This afternoon set out to see Edinburgh, Princes Street and the Royal Mile with the Scott Monument. History comes alive as you tour the mighty Edinburgh Castle. See Greyfriars Church and the Grass Market and explore Princes Street. (B,D)

SAT, OCT 27 – EDINBURGH/OBAN/MULL/IONA

Depart Edinburgh this morning and drive west across Scotland following the shore of Loch Lomond to Oban, a seaport on the firth of Lorn. Take the ferry from Oban to the Isle of Mull, then on to the Isle of Iona, where many Scottish kings lie buried. St. Columba and his disciples landed here from Ireland in 563 AD and established Scotland's first Christian monastic settlement, resulting in the extension of Christianity throughout Scotland and Europe. Today it serves primarily as a religious retreat center. (B,D)

SUN, OCT 28 & MON, OCT 29 – IONA

These two days are reserved for your retreat on the beautiful and serene Isle of Iona. (B,D)

TUE, OCT 30 – IONA/GLASGOW

Depart Iona today by ferry to the Isle of Mull and continue by ferry back to Oban. Travel south to Glasgow, Scotland's largest city founded by St. Mungo in AD550. Upon arrival, enjoy an orientation tour of the city. (B)

WED, OCT 31 – GLASGOW/CHICAGO

Your adventure is over as you fly back to Chicago, arriving the same day. (B)

B = Breakfast

D = Dinner

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RESERVATION FORM

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Accommodation Desired:

- ☐ double room sharing with.....
☐ single room (\$575 extra per person)

Enclosed is my check for \$.....as deposit
(\$400 per person) for.....person(s)

Passenger #1:

Clearly print your full name(last/first/middle) as it appears on your passport

Name: Last.....

First.....

Middle.....

Gender: Please check ☐ Male ☐ Female

Address.....

City.....State.....Zip.....

Email.....

Home Phone.....Work Phone.....

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Name: Last.....

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City.....State.....Zip.....

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Home Phone.....Work Phone.....

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This reservation form serves as your acceptance of the policies, terms and conditions as outlined in the General Conditions on the back of this brochure.
****Please include a clear photocopy of your passport****

GENERAL CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS AND FINAL PAYMENT:

Reservations may be secured upon payment of a deposit of \$400 per person. No reservation is considered firm until deposit has been received. Your initial deposit payment shall be deemed to be an acceptance of all the terms of our General Conditions. Space is limited and offered on a first-come basis. Final payment is due at Nawas Travel 100 days prior to departure date.

Nawas accepts Visa, Mastercard and American Express for balance/final payments only. Credit cards are not accepted for deposits. The price of the tour already includes a built-in discount of 3% for payments made by cash or check. There is no discount on credit card sales. Credit cards will only be accepted prior to the final payment due date. Credit card charges cannot be accepted over the telephone. Tour members who want to use a credit card for final payment should contact Nawas at the time final payment is due for further information.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: A U.S.A. passport valid for at least 6 months after the return date of the trip is required to travel. It is the sole responsibility of the traveler to check their passport's expiration date. Non-U.S.A. citizens may require visas in addition to a valid passport. It is the sole responsibility of non-U.S.A. citizens (including green card holders) to ensure they have the required visas/travel documents for each country to be visited on their tour and for re-entry into the U.S.A. Visa fees (if any) are not included in the tour price.

THE TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

AIR TRANSPORTATION: By any IATA/ARC air carrier or other scheduled jet carrier, in economy class, with flights and air routings at the discretion of the air carriers and Nawas and based on non-refundable bulk group fares. Cancellations made after air tickets have been issued are subject to full cancellation penalties as imposed by the airlines. We strongly recommend all tour members retain both their ticket receipts and boarding passes as copies of same cannot be provided. Airline tickets must bear your first, middle and last name as it appears on your passport. Passengers must apply directly with the airline for frequent flyer mileage, awards are at the sole discretion of the airline. Nawas makes every effort to provide the lowest possible price on our group tours and therefore does not guarantee the most direct routing to/from your final destination. Nawas is not responsible if an airline cancels, reschedules or delays a flight for any reason. Nawas is not responsible for and will not provide any refund for portions of trips missed due to canceled, rescheduled or delayed flights by any carrier.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION: By deluxe motorcoach.

FLIGHT INSURANCE: Automatic one hundred thousand dollars flight insurance policy for each Nawas-ticketed passenger, subject to policy terms and limitations.

DEVIATIONS: All deviation requests from the group itinerary must be received at Nawas in writing no later than 100 days prior to departure. A \$100 non-refundable fee per person will be charged on all deviations in addition to any extra airfare that may be incurred. Air deviations are subject to availability and restrictions as imposed by the airlines.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Accommodations are at select hotels based on two persons sharing a twin or double bedded room with private bath. Nawas cannot guarantee roommates. A person taking a single room (subject to availability) must pay a supplement of \$575.

MEALS: Continental breakfast daily and 6 dinners are included.

SIGHTSEEING: As specified in the itinerary using motorcoach transportation or other conveyances as required. Entrance fees and the services of a professional guide/driver and local English-speaking guides if required are included.

TRANSFERS: Assistance and transfers from airports to hotels and vice versa in private motorcoach.

SERVICE CHARGES, TAXES AND PORTERAGE: Service charges and taxes normally included in bills, government taxes on hotel bills in effect on November 10, 2011, taxes on sightseeing and excursion trips and porterage at hotels of one normal size suitcase (maximum weight 50 lbs.) are included in the tour price.

BAGGAGE: Airlines may now charge baggage fees for checked luggage on international/domestic flights based on the policy of each carrier. The maximum number of pieces of luggage, the weight allowance and baggage dimensions may also vary by airline from the USA to overseas destinations and beyond. Many carriers require that checked luggage in economy class not exceed 50 lbs with a combined length, width and height of 62 inches. Regulations vary for business/first class passengers. Airline policies regarding baggage are subject to change at any time without prior notice. It is the responsibility of each passenger to check with their airline prior to departure for baggage information, regulations and compliance. Nawas is not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers regarding baggage. Due to space limitations on Nawas motorcoaches, Nawas can only allow one piece of luggage per person plus a carry-on bag with total dimensions of 45 inches which fits in the overhead bin or underneath the seat in front of you. Wheeled carry-on bags are not permitted due to limited motorcoach capacity. Nawas Travel accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to the tour members' baggage or personal belongings at any time. Baggage insurance is recommended and is available upon written request.

TRAVELERS REQUIRING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE: Disabled travelers requiring special attention or care must advise NAWAS in writing at the time of reservation. A physically able companion must accompany any person who needs special assistance. Tour directors, guides, drivers or other tour, hotel or ship personnel are not able to provide such assistance. NAWAS is not responsible for any denial of services to the disabled participant by air carriers, cruise ships, hotels, restaurants or other independent suppliers. Certain countries/destinations involve extensive walking. Be aware that outside the U.S. the Americans with Disabilities Act is not applicable and facilities for disabled individuals are limited. NAWAS is not responsible for any passenger requiring special medical equipment.

THE TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

U.S. departure taxes, overseas airport taxes, overseas local government taxes, airline security fees/surcharges and fuel surcharges (taxes/surcharges currently estimated at \$550 to \$590 per person), passport fees, visa fees (if any), phone calls, valet/laundry service, wines, liquors, mineral water, after dinner coffee or tea, tips to escort, guides, drivers and waiters, sightseeing and other services not specifically mentioned, excess baggage and all other items of a purely personal nature.

CANCELLATIONS: Written cancellations received by Nawas Travel up to 100 days prior to departure, refunds will be made less a \$200 per person cancellation fee. From 99 to 70 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a \$400 per person cancellation fee. From 69 to 31 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a cancellation fee of 50% of the total tour price per person. From 30 days prior to departure, written cancellations received by Nawas Travel are subject to a 100% cancellation fee of the total tour price per person. No shows are subject to a 100% cancellation fee and reservations will be cancelled. Failure to receive final payment by the due date may result in the cancellation of your tour reservation and the forfeiture of your deposit. Airline tickets are not refundable once issued. No refunds will be given for any unused services while on tour.

We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance to allow for unexpected medical emergencies. Trip cancellation insurance is available upon written request.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The airfare used is based on non-refundable bulk group fares in effect on November 10, 2011. Airlines reserve the right to increase fares without prior notice. Tour members will be required to pay any airfare increases and fuel surcharges as imposed by the airlines prior to departure. Airlines require a minimum of 10 persons departing from the same gateway city.

Land costs are based on estimated 2012 tariffs, overseas government taxes and rates of exchange in effect on November 10, 2011 and a minimum of 32 or more participants. While we have made the best possible estimates of what we expect costs to be in 2012, we cannot guarantee actual prices, exchange rates and airfares. Any increases in land costs or airfare that may occur will be collected from each passenger prior to departure. We reserve the right to increase the cost of the tour consistent with normal increases should the group fall below 32 persons, or in the event of fluctuations in exchange rates.

Please note that healthcare/medical costs outside the U.S.A. are not covered by Medicare and many private medical insurance plans. Please consult with your health insurance supplier to obtain the necessary health/medical coverage for overseas travel.

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